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Tom Reynolds, Ex-Officio

**WEARE PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION
MINUTES OF AUGUST 10, 2004 MEETING**

Present: Chuck Metcalf, Carol Wilson, Myles Rigney, Bob Thomas, John Nikias, Tom Reynolds and Jim Blouin

Meeting convened at 7:38 pm.

1. Minutes:

Motion 1: Motion to accept the July 20, 2004 meeting minutes.

Carol Wilson; 2nd Bob Thomas

Vote: 5 Yes

1 Abstention

2. Public Comment:

None

3. Chase Park:

Last month held meeting with all employees regarding complaints received and issues. General discussion regarding park concerns. Letter read by Jim Blouin regarding his concerns about the Park and suggestions for the future.

Motion 2: Motion to hire two part time adults (Head Gate Keeper and Assistant Gate Keeper) to work the daytime hours and to cover milfoil inspections at night. Adults to cover for rest of summer (not to exceed 45 days). Head Gate Keeper to make schedules. Coverage would be daily from 9:00am to 6:00pm.
Myles Rigney; 2nd Chuck Metcalf

Vote: 4 Yes
2 No

Motion 3: Motion to pay Head Gate Keeper \$9.00 per hour and Assistant Gate Keeper \$8.75 per hour.

Myles Rigney; 2nd Chuck Metcalf

Vote: 5 Yes
1 Abstention

Coverage at the Park will be:

From Labor Day to Columbus Day – weekends only

Milfoil coverage will continue after school starts from 10:00am to 5:00pm.

Horace Lake Drawdown will be October 15, 2004.

Park boat ramp will be open Saturday, October 10, 2004 from 10:00am to 5:00 pm.

Park boat ramp will be open Sunday, October 18, 2004 from 10:00 am to 5:00 pm.

Chuck will check with Elayne to see how the budget is for our milfoil employees to see if there is money left to pay them to continue working on weekends.

Chuck will contact Bob with names for Head Gate Keeper and Assistant Gate Keeper and hourly rates for approval at next Board of Selectmen meeting.

4. Town Playground:

Chuck Metcalf, Jim and Kim Blouin, Lisa Wetherbee, Kim Bergeron, John Nikias and Bob Nelson met at Bolton Field to discuss plans for the new playground. Any plans for the playground must still be approved by PARC.

5. The Eagle Scout who is building the dugouts at the baseball at Bolton Field should begin working in approximately 2 weeks.

6. Bolton Field Hours:

Monday – Thursday: Open 24 hours

Friday – Closes at 9:00 pm

Saturday – Closes at 9:00 pm

Sunday – Closes at 9:00 pm

7. PARC would like to commend Jim on doing a good job fertilizing Bolton Fields. PARC would also like to thank Brett Merrill who donated a lawn tractor to assist PARC in fertilizing. PARC to place sign for Brett Merrill in appreciation on the Bolton Field fence.

Spent \$600 for commercial spreader for Bolton Fields. Lime and fertilize to be done one more time this year.

8. Director's Report:

Typo Correction: The Senior Luncheon will be held the 3rd Tuesday in September at the Red Apple in Concord. PARC will cover \$5 per senior.

Summer Concerts: The concerts have been very successful as well as the BBQ's for the seniors in town. A \$1 charge for non-seniors was started during the last concert.

Last Concert of the summer: Date is Saturday, 8/14/04. There will be a BBQ for ALL people while supplies last beginning at 6:00 pm. "Club Soda" will be performing.

The food sales at the concerts funded the purchase of new food for the next concert.

PARC would like to thank the Weare Chamber of Commerce for working together and having all these great concerts this summer. We hope we can continue to work together for next year.

Bus trip to Canobie Park: Only 15-16 people have signed up. A total of 25 people are needed for the discount to apply. Please note: The whole price is \$10 – this includes the bus and the Canobie Park ticket.

Jim received a reprimand letter from the Board of Selectmen which was given to him by Bob Christensen. Jim has written a grievance letter to PARC. PARC recommended to Jim to file his grievance with the Board of Selectmen.

Motion 4: To allow Park Director to file a grievance directly with the Board of Selectmen.
Chuck Metcalf, 2nd John Nikias

Vote: 5 Yes
1 Abstention

9. John Nikias wants to go on record stating that the 300 pound ultra-light should not be landing on Bolton Field. Jim will inquire how often the gentlemen uses the field and if he could damage any irrigation heads with the machine.

10. The lifeguard chair at Chase Park will be rebuilt by an Eagle Scout.

Motion 5: Motion to adjourn at 9:48 pm. Chuck Metcalf,
2nd Carol Wilson

Vote: Yes and unanimous

Minutes submitted by Carol Wilson